

Minutes of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held at the Memorial Hall, New Quay on **Monday, 17 December 2018**

PRESENT: Councillor J Evans (Chairman), Councillor J Davies, S Hartley, G Hopley, P Hopley, A Jones D Potter, M Rees, B Stones and H Williams

(7.00pm- 8.35pm)

#### **64 Apologies**

None.

#### **65 Disclosure of Personal Interest/Prejudicial Interest**

65.01 Councillor J Evans declared a personal and prejudicial interest in 70.02.

65.02 The Clerk, Dana Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest in 70.02.

#### **66 Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 November 2018**

66.01 The Minutes of the meeting held of the 26 November 2018 were confirmed as a true record.

66.02/57.02/48.01/39.02/29.03/19.09/10.03 Awaiting paint to paint the bollards and benches

66.03/57.03/48.03/39.06 An email had been received from Ceredigion Museum, stating that the responsibility of the repair of the toll boards was NQTC as previously grants were available for their repair. It was agreed that three quotes/tenders would be sought for their repair. It was also reported on the need to replace the wood for the Dylan Thomas board, it was also agreed to seek three quotes for its repair as there were monies ring fenced in the NQTC bank account.

66.04/57.05/48.05/43.01 Skateboard Park inspection- Councillor Potter would remind D Price on the need to provide a quote on the works required at the park.

66.05/57.08/54.06 Mr Callum had been invited, however, he informed the Chair, that he was not currently in a position to update Members as discussions were ongoing with Dŵr Cymru regarding the cost of repair.

66.06/58.06 It was reported that unfortunately the glass for the hut wouldn't be repaired on the near future

66.07/58.01 An email had been received from CCC confirming that volunteers could paint the shelter subject to public liability insurance etc. Councillor Potter would arrange this.- still ongoing

66.08/58.01 The Chair thanked Councillor Potter for arranging the Christmas tree in Penwig Park and for Councillor Stones and Tony Clements for the tree by the library. The Chair reported that he had turned on the Christmas lights in Aberearon and Councillor Elizabeth Evans had turned on the lights in New Quay.

66.09/63.02 No further developments regarding the Llwybr Arfordir Cymru- Digital Project

66.10 New Road had recently been swept, however, Members had been informed that the sweeper was in Talgarreg fortnightly. There was also a need to address the whole of Pilot Lane.

### **67 County Councillor Report**

67.01 Three posts repaired at Church Street and Glanmore Terrace

67.02 Jon Hadlow was still awaiting survey regarding the trees

67.03 No update had been received from NRW on Traeth y Dolau

67.04 Fireworks Committee had agreed to pay for the new plate and concrete for the Christmas tree

67.05 Had met with Alison Kinsey regarding funding to buy equipment and train volunteers to trash the brambles towards Traeth y dolau. It was reported that it was the culvert was the source of the rat problems, however, the brambles was a nesting opportunity.

67.06 The Christmas lights were being repaired as the transformers had failed.

67.07 Have made a request on the way forward for obtaining lights on Glanmore Terrace and the Pier. It was reported previously this was costly, however, due to LEDs etc. this could again be investigated.

67.08 The Vaynor application had been approved.

67.09 New Road and Memorial Road had been cleared.

67.10 Meeting with Nick Williams on the 10<sup>th</sup> January regarding a walkway for school children across river and to park and pick up

67.11 Met with Rhodri Llwyd regarding the road by the surgery, monies for repair had been Sought.

### **68 Finance**

Opening Balance £27,192.98 (£779.36 ring fenced for defibrillator £500.00 towards the Dylan Thomas Project)

68.01 Clerk Salary & Expenses £265.00

68.02 Clerk back pay £37.06 (December) £37.06

68.03 HMRC (PAYE £71.76)

68.04 New Quay Memorial Hall Committee  
£15.00

68.05 Christmas Tree £150.00

68.06 NQ Eisteddfod 2020 Committee £1000.00

Closing Balance £25,654.16 (£779.36 ring fenced for defibrillator and £500.00 towards the Dylan Thomas Project).

Closing balance for Town Council account £24,874.80

Review of the Budget for December was agreed.

### **69 Planning Applications.**

69.01 A181150 Seawinds, Lewis Terrace, New Quay – Noted

### **70 Correspondence**

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70.01 Precept 2019/10- Detailed consideration was given to the budget to agree the precept for 2019/10. Following discussion it was agreed that the precept remain at £16,072.64 as the Council had been criticised on the amount of reserves in their account.  
70.02 It was also agreed that the price of alternative heating for the library would be sought due to the high cost of electricity. Councillor P Hopley and A Jones would seek prices asap in order that the clerk could circulate this information to Members for consideration.

### **71 Arrangement for next meeting**

It was AGREED that the next meeting be held on Monday, 21 January 2019 at 7pm as the Clerk had a meeting with the Monitoring Officer and other Town and Community Clerks on the 28 January 2019.

### **72 Urgent items – discretion of the Chair**

72.01 Soap Box Derby- It was agreed that a donation be given; however, the views of residents would be sought on the event. Clarification on the time of the road closure together with the payee on the donation cheque would also be requested from the event organiser.

72.02 It was reported that the current lease holder was revoking their lease for the Paragon Offices. It was agreed that the clerk would contact the Welsh Ambulance Trust to inform them that there was a suitable location available for the ambulance in New Quay.

72.03 The price of additional dog fouling would be sought.

72.04 It was agreed that no comments would be submitted for the pre-application for the development in Uplands Square car park as several Member were applying for dispensations.

72.05 A request for a memorial bench had been received – it was agreed that there was a need to restore the old benches and it was agreed that this suggestion be presented to the family. It was also agreed that a quote to repair the benches would be sought and that the Town Council would also restore one bench in this financial year. Quotes would be sought by Councillor Alwyn Jones and Potter.